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Marginal Column

By EREV LAQUEUR

THE reply to Mr. Byroade's speech over the weekend will have to be given mainly, it appears, by American Jewry. The idea that Israel once it came into existence should be recognized and not be opposed, but that Zionism is wrong and harmful, is not the monopoly of Rosenwald's "Council of Judaism" (the inspiration appears to be unmistakable), it is shared by Agudat Yisrael extremists. The Communist position is identical. The speech contained a sincere appeal for maintaining peace in the Middle East, but the practical suggestions on this (as on similar recent occasions) are woefully insufficient and in no correlation whatsoever with the seriousness of the situation. If Israel would only refrain from retaliation on attacks: if it would return to the Jordan armistice committee; if the truce supervision on the local level would be strengthened and widened — it reminds one of a physician applying tincture of iodine and various ointments rather than the scalpel when dealing with a malignant growth, where only some fairly radical surgery may help. It is probably quite true that the Arab League governments do want neither peace nor war, but what should be added is, that these governments are neither strong nor prudent enough to prevent a rapid development from a state of controlled tension (i.e. the present Egyptian, Jordan and Syrian attacks) into a full-scale war which at present appears at least a distinct possibility. To try to put on the brakes once aggression has gone out of control (as some Arab rulers tried to do in 1948) will be of no avail. For better or worse Washington is prevented from imposing a pax Americana the way it is done in the other camp. And yet unless something is done rapidly the deterioration with incalculable consequences of an already ugly situation seems by far the most likely possibility.

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IF American foreign policy has a basic interest in preserving peace, or at least the *status quo* in the Middle East, however ill chosen its policies to that effect, Soviet politics, such as carried out by Mr. Vyshinsky in the Security Council, are not a riddle wrapped in a mystery either. The first thing to remember is that according to Stalin's last writings of 1952 (which continue to be of paramount importance in Moscow) wars between capitalist countries are still inevitable. A war between, for example, the U.S. and Britain, or France and Italy may not appear extremely likely, but would not a war between Israel and the Arab League countries tally exactly with Stalin's predictions? To try to prevent such a war would be nonsense: For one thing the decisive word is "inevitable", and then it has to be remembered too that the aim of the peace movement is to "avert a new *world* war" (to quote again Stalin), not to preserve peace *within* the "capitalist camp."

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BUT let us think one step further. What would be the results of an armed conflict between Israel and the Arab League countries? One eventuality is that Russia would give indirect support to the latter, thus estranging them further from the West. But it is more likely the Russians would stand aloof. Such conflict with the probable resultant defeat of the Arab League governments (or a stalemate) would create ideal conditions in the Arab countries for "the development of the struggle of peace into the struggle for socialism" (i.e. the establishment of a Stalinist dictatorship) or at least, to quote Malenkov, the coming to power of "truly peace-loving and democratic forces implementing their own policy and finding a way out of the dead end into which they were chased by their American dictators" (i.e. a Stalinist-dominated popular front). Should Mr. Vyshinsky work under these circumstances for peace or expedite its opposite in the Middle East or does it merely become a rhetorical question? The dangers and intrigues facing this country at the present hour appear menacing and formidable, but there is nothing inevitable about them: There have been similar dangers before and one has muddled through: *Dei gratia et confusione hominum.*

Jerusalem, April 11.

Buying Cheap Costs a Lot

That same Tel Avivian who was poisoned by drinking a "cheap" cognac of an unknown brand, saved money at the expense of his health.

Many like him continue to endanger their well-being by drinking "cheap" intoxicating liquors, ignoring the origin and quality of these drinks.

Buying wine or any other alcoholic drink in sealed original bottles that bear the trade-mark of "Carmel Oriental" from the wine cellars of Rishon Le-Zion and Zichron Ya'acov, safeguards you from this danger. *(Advt.)*

Dulles Off to Europe To Mend 'Division of Opinion'

Seeks Harmony on 'United Front'

WASHINGTON, Saturday. — Secretary of State Dulles said today he is flying to Europe tonight because of "a serious division of opinion" between Britain and France on the one hand, and the U.S. on the other, concerning American proposals for a "united front" in South-East Asia.

Speaking after a conference with President Eisenhower, Mr. Dulles said he would seek French and British cooperation in forming a common policy that would end the Communist threat to the area.

The Secretary of State is leaving Washington tonight and is due in London tomorrow. He will fly to Paris on Tuesday, returning to Washington later in the week.

Mr. Dulles told newsmen that the Communist threat is not a limited one. "It extends to the vital interests of many nations in South-East Asia and the Western Pacific area, including the Philippines, Australia and New Zealand, with whom we have security treaties," he pointed out.

He announced that the Government of Thailand was the first to say it would join the projected common front and had told him it agreed entirely with his views and felt that the Communist threat could be ended if the threatened nations united.

Mr. Dulles continued: "Our purpose is not to extend the fighting but to end the fighting. Our purpose is not to prevent peaceful settlement at the forthcoming Geneva conference but to create the unity of free wills needed to assure a peaceful settlement which will, in fact, preserve the vital interests of us all. Unity of purpose calls for full understanding."

The Secretary emphasized that his mission to Europe to line up reluctant British and French support for his plan is "a mission of peace through strength." He said the need now is for the U.S., Britain and France to join their strength "and add the strength of others to assure that the conference (at Geneva) will not lead to a loss of freedom in South-East Asia."

He said that the aim of full understanding would be promoted if he would proceed to London and Paris to discuss the question with the governments there personally, since this would be more satisfactory than an exchange of cabled messages.

(Reuter, UP)

Reply to Americans

This statement was seen in political quarters as a reply to American suggestions for a joint statement warning People's China of the consequences of further intervention in South-East Asia and particularly Indo-China.

The use of the term "with a free hand" indicated that the French Government felt that no action should be taken on this joint declaration before the Geneva conference, the quarters said.

Mr. Laniel recalled that France had been in favour of a peaceful solution since last summer. "There is no question of Indo-China being subordinated to the Korean question at Geneva. Each problem will be dealt with separately," he said.

The Premier, referring for the first time in Parliament to Chinese Communist aid, said it had increased: "The Chinese aid must cease. Without it the Dien Bien Phu battle would have been over long ago," he said.

The Chinese Government had also delivered artillery, anti-aircraft guns and radar equipment manned by Chinese. In addition they had supplied hundreds of Russian-built lorries with Chinese drivers, he said.

(Reuter, UP)

French Burst Out Of Dien Bien Phu

HANOI, Saturday. — French soldiers took the offensive in the struggle for Dien Bien Phu today with a surging attack that recaptured one of the strongpoints ringing the fortress and which had fallen to the rebels on March 30.

More than a battalion of the defenders stormed forward after a strong artillery barrage. Backing them were light American-built tanks which silenced the rebel resistance. Ferocious close quarter knife, grenade and bayonet fighting went on for four hours.

Earlier, Vietminh commandos sneaked through Dien Bien Phu's battered ramparts and blew up part of the airstrip linking the fortress with the outside world.

Rebel guerrillas also struck at the airfield of Vientiane, administrative capital of Laos. Several planes were severely damaged.

In the South, the Vietminh seized two Vietnam posts and burned two watch towers, 100 kilometres south of Saigon.

(UP, Reuter)

157,000 CASUALTIES

PARIS, Saturday (UP). — French Union casualties in the seven-year-old Indo-China war up to January 1, 1954, reached a total of 157,793, it was announced officially today. Of that number, 57,586 were listed as dead or missing in action.

Laniel Demands 'Free Hand' at Geneva

PARIS, Saturday. — Prime Minister Joseph Laniel tonight gave notice that France wanted to go to the Geneva conference "with a free hand" to reach a peaceful settlement on the Indo-China war.

Addressing the National Assembly a few hours before it started its Easter recess, he said, "France wants to go to Geneva with a free hand, neglecting nothing to reach a peaceful solution which will respect the fundamental rights of the interested nations."

US Ready to Study Nehru's Atom Plan

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (UP). — The U.S. was prepared today to give "respectful attention" to Indian Prime Minister Nehru's proposal for a "standstill" agreement on Atomic and Hydrogen bombs.

But Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge suggested last night to the U.N. Disarmament Commission that the proposal should be turned over to the Big Four and Canada for secret study.

Mr. Nehru's proposal called for a "standstill" on Hydrogen bomb tests while the U.N. was seeking means to outlaw thermonuclear weapons; full publicity by the Atomic powers on the devastating effect of Hydrogen explosions; active steps by non-Atomic powers to prevent further experiments; and "immediate and continuing" consideration of the plan by the U.N.

The Commission also heard a formal British proposal to set up a sub-committee of "the powers principally involved" to consider disarmament plans in a series of secret meetings in various world capitals, in accordance with the resolution of the General Assembly.

The British delegate, Sir Pierson Dixon, proposed that the sub-committee should comprise the U.S., Britain, France, the Soviet Union and Canada — the latter because of its work in World War II Atomic development.

Soviet delegate Andrei Vyshinsky asked time to consider the sub-committee's composition and the meeting adjourned until Wednesday.

Bevanites Launch Drive Against Rearming Germany

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. Aneurin Bevan, the Labour Party's left-wing leader, and about 20 other Labour Members of Parliament yesterday backed a nation-wide petition to Parliament calling for the halting of plans for German rearmament.

The campaign for the petition, organized by a small left-wing organization, the Union of Democratic Control, was launched today by Labour M.P. Ben Parkin at a House of Commons Press conference.

The Labour Party is sharply divided over German rearmament. Both the party's National Executive and its parliamentary supporters recently voted in favour of it by narrow majorities.

Baghdad Threatened

The Tigris floods outside Baghdad have reached a new peak, following heavy rains and melting snow in the North, NEABS reports. King Faisal II has cancelled his forthcoming visit to the Lebanon and has called off all celebrations in connection with the forthcoming e-Nahda festival.

Brownell Seeks Legal Means To Crush US Communist Party

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter).—Mr. Herbert Brownell, U.S. Attorney-General, last night outlined an Anti-Communist programme to include the death penalty for peace-time espionage. Without mentioning Senator Joseph McCarthy's probes he said in a nation-wide television broadcast, "The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Justice and the courts are your agents in dealing with the Communist conspiracy."

To destroy what he called "a threat to our nation's safety," he proposed laws to eliminate potential spies or saboteurs from defence factories and to "eliminate Communist control of any industrial organization or labour union in vital sections of the economy."

He said that weeks before Moscow told the world last year that Joseph Stalin was ill, the U.S. knew it and knew also that Mr. Georgi Malenkov would succeed him. Mr. Brownell prefaced this anecdote by saying that "for security reasons I cannot tell you about the great counter-espionage work the F.B.I. is doing today."

Both the Justice Department and the F.B.I. declined to answer reporters' inquiries about how such an internal agency would know what was happening in the Kremlin. The implication of Mr. Brownell's speech was taken to be that such information came from informants who had penetrated the inner circles of the Communist party in the U.S.

FBI Infiltration

Mr. Brownwell said that the infiltration of the Communist Party by F.B.I. agents had provided a major weapon in anticipating and combating Communist moves.

He recommended new laws "to destroy by legal, orderly processes the Communist party in this country." He added that "although we must be constantly alert to the danger of Communist infiltration we should not have exaggerated fears of the danger."

New laws suggested by Mr. Brownell would:

1) Allow an employer to dismiss from defence factories during a national emergency any person whose record showed he was likely to engage in sabotage or espionage.

2) Prevent witnesses from pleading self-incrimination as an excuse for refusing to testify.

3) Legalize the use of wire-tapped evidence.

4) Take away the citizenship of any person found guilty of advocating violent overthrow of the government.

UN Secretary Holds 5th Column, US Report Says

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee in a unanimous report published here today said a Communist "fifth column" was operating in the Secretariat of the U.N.

There were "strong indications" that the fifth column included citizens of America and other non-communist countries, the report said.

The nine members of the Subcommittee in their report urged President Eisenhower to instruct the American delegation at the U.N "to press for a thorough review of the entire U.N. personnel from non-Communist countries."

BELGIAN ELECTIONS

BRUSSELS, Saturday (Reuter). — Five-and-a-half million Belgians are going to the polls tomorrow for an election which observers expect to cost the present Catholic Party Government its narrow obsolute majority in both Houses.

In the last elections, held at the height of the "King Leopold crisis," the Catholic Social Christian Party was the rallying point for all Royalist elements. With the crisis abated many Royalists may vote for other parties.

Passover at the Pole

NEW YORK, Saturday. — Passover foods and religious supplies will be dropped by parachute to Jewish servicemen serving at an American outpost near the North Pole. Arrangements were announced today by the National Jewish Welfare Board.

The parachute operation will be for Jews serving on U.S. post T-3, a floating iceberg island about 300 miles from the Pole.

Comets Grounded After Third Jet Crash Kills 21

ROME, Saturday. — A third Comet airliner — belonging to South African Airlines—plunged into the sea shortly after its take-off from Rome yesterday on a flight to Cairo. Twenty-one persons lost their lives in the mysterious crash.

Both BOAC and Air France have grounded all their Comets pending an investigation. A second French airline, U.A.T., has been allowed to fly its Comets back to France prior to their grounding.

The latest Comet crash again occurred with terrifying swiftness, not even giving the crew time to press the disaster signal.

The wreckage of the Comet was spotted by a British plane off Salerno and subsequently six bodies were recovered by the British aircraft-carrier Eagle. Officials said there was little hope of salvaging substantial parts of the wreckage.

After the news of the crash the chairman of BOAC, Sir Miles Thomas, stated in London that the three ill-fated Comet airliners all appeared to strike an "inexplicable" death ceiling at 30,000 feet when climbing at full power. He added that until the manufacturers could explain and remedy the cause of the tragedy, BOAC Comets would be withdrawn from service.

BOAC Suspends Service

BOAC announced tonight it had temporarily suspended its service between Britain and South America.

The first Comet crash took place at Karachi in March last year, while the second disaster occurred off the island of Elba last January.

Volunteer pilots will now carry out special tests in Comet airliners to find the cause of the disaster. The test pilots will concentrate on climbing rapidly to high altitudes in an attempt to duplicate the conditions which existed when the Comets plunged to their doom.

The test machines may be modified with special escape hatches and crew ejector seats. Flying instruments will be adapted so that they can be jettisoned to tell their tale in the event of disaster.

8 Major Firms Agree On Share in Iran Oil

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — A group of eight major oil companies reached complete agreement here today, setting up an international combine to reopen the flow of Persian oil to the world markets.

They will tonight send a high-level American-led mission to Teheran to negotiate a settlement of the three-year-old Anglo-Persian oil dispute which led to the eviction of the British-owned Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., a rupture of diplomatic relations and the virtual drying up of Persian oil.

An Anglo-Iranian Oil Co. spokesman said the companies' agreement was initialled here late last night after three months of intensive negotiations.

The Anglo-Iranian, formerly the sole concessionaire, is understood to have a 40% holding in the shares of the new combine.

The five American companies —Standard Oil, Gulf Oil, California Oil, Texas Oil and Socony Vacuum — will between them hold the same proportion, the balance going to Royal Shell Dutch and the Compagnie Francaise des Petroles.

The negotiating task facing the companies' mission in Teheran will concern not only the marketing of Persian oil, but the redevelopment of the industry which has been completely idle since 1951. The most delicate issue is expected to be the question of foreign participation in the management of the Persian oil industry and compensation for the A.I.O.C.

These are the problems which defied successive British and American attempts at an oil settlement in 1950 and 1951 with the former government of Mohammed Mossadegh.

The Teheran negotiations may be long drawn out, it is recognized here, but an informed expert estimated that Persian oil may return to world markets by July 1.

Arabs, Israel and Zionism Rapped in Byroade Speech

Says US Interest to Ease Tension

DAYTON, Saturday (UP). — The Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, Mr. Henry Byroade, in a speech highly critical of both Israel and the Arab States last night called on both to mend their ways in the interest of peace and security in the Middle East.

Mr. Byroade spoke before the Dayton World Affairs Council on "The Middle East in its New Perspective."

After reviewing the various difficulties of the area and particularly those between Israel and the Arab States, Mr. Byroade said he would draw only two conclusions on the situation:

"To the Arabs I say:

"You should accept this State of Israel as an accomplished fact. I say further that you are deliberately attempting to maintain a state of affairs delicately suspended between peace and war —while at present desiring neither. This is a most dangerous policy and one which world opinion will increasingly condemn if you continue to resist any move to obtain at least a less dangerous *modus vivendi* with your neighbour."

Mr. Byroade

"To the Israelis I say:

"You should come truly to look upon yourselves as a Middle Eastern state—and see your own future in that context—rather than as the headquarters, or nucleus, of a world-wide grouping of peoples of a particular faith who must have special rights and obligations within the State of Israel.

"You should drop the attitude of the conqueror and the conviction that force and a policy of retaliatory killing is the only policy that your neighbours will understand. You should make your deeds correspond to your frequent utterances of the desire for peace."

Emotions Tense

Mr. Byroade stressed that the emotions which surrounded this problem in the Middle East were so tense that any immediate or dramatic solution of the problem is impossible. Even a partial solution was increasingly difficult.

"Yet I am convinced that the U.S. must, in its own interest, devote a major effort towards easing the tensions that may have sprung from this situation," he said.

Mr. Byroade went on to say that a pro-Israel or a pro-Arab policy had no place in America's thinking. What the Government was striving to put into effect was a policy, to quote President Eisenhower, "of sympathetic and impartial friendship" to all states of the Middle East.

Mr. Byroade summarized the objectives of U.S. policy in the Middle East as follows:

1) The promotion of peace in the area among the Middle East states themselves as well as better understanding between them and the Western Powers.

2) A desire to see governmental stability and the maintenance of law and order."

3) The creation of conditions which would bring about a rise in the general economic welfare.

4) The preservation and strengthening of democracy's growth—not necessarily on our own pattern, but at least in a form which recognizes the same basic principles as the democracy in which we believe.

5) The encouragement of regional defence measures against aggression from outside the area.

On specific problems such as compensation for Arab refugees, the status of Jerusalem,

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Egyptian Ambushes Kill 1, Wound 5

Six Israel soldiers were wounded, one mortally and three seriously, in three separate ambushes and one attack in the Negev near the Gaza Strip on Thursday evening and early Friday morning, the Army spokesman announced on Friday. In two cases, the attackers were definitely identified by the lights of the vehicles attacked as regular Egyptian soldiers in battledress.

At 9 p.m. on Thursday, an Army vehicle carrying soldiers came under automatic fire near Sa'ad. The soldiers returned the fire. In the ensuing clash, one Israel soldier was injured severely and one slightly.

The Jerusalem Post learns that two ambushes were laid near Sa'ad. Two hand grenades were thrown and rifles and stenguns used, according to the spent cartridges. Bloodstains were also found here.

The Israel soldiers reported seeing seven attackers in steel helmets.

The Israelis did not answer the fire from the first ambush but opened fire at the second, some 300 metres further south.

At 10 p.m., automatic fire was opened and grenades thrown at an Israel unit on patrol near Be'eri. In this clash, three soldiers were injured severely and one slightly, the Army spokesman announced.

Attackers Wounded

The Jerusalem Post learns that the Be'eri ambush took place at a bend in the road where small tins had been strewn about to slow down traffic. Spent British .303 ammunition was found near the spot, as well as bloodstains indicating that some of the attackers were wounded.

A British rifle, apparently thrown away during the retreat of the attackers, was also found nearby, together with a stocking cap.

Another ambush had taken place at 8.30 p.m. near Zikim when automatic fire was opened on a truck. No one was injured.

Before dawn on Friday, an armed gang of Egyptians who attempted to attack Shuval were beaten off by watchmen in an exchange of fire. Before retiring, the marauders threw hand grenades, one of which hit a building. No one was injured in the attack, the Army spokesman announces.

The Jerusalem Post learns that two grenades were thrown, one exploding about a metre from a hut in which 17 persons were present. A second grenade, a dud, was found nearby. Spent ammunition of British manufacture was also found.

Infiltrators from the Gaza Strip stole clothes and various household articles, valued at IL.230, from Kibbutz Beki'im on Thursday night. Tracks of three men led towards the Strip.

On the same night, a mule and a cow, valued at IL.1,500, were stolen from Ma'ayan. Tracks of five men led towards the Gaza Strip.

Put to Flight

Three infiltrators were put to flight by settlement watchmen in the coastal plain on Thursday night. The gang escaped to Jordan under cover of darkness.

A Reuter dispatch from Amman yesterday said that Jordan had submitted a complaint to the Mixed Armistice Commission charging that Israel soldiers stationed "in the King David area of Jerusalem" had fired on an Arab Legion soldier on the Walls of the Old City.

No confirmation of this report was broadcast yesterday by any Arab station in the Middle East.

Automatic fire was opened at 8 p.m. last night on a postal van on the Beersheba-Migdal Ascalon Road near Heletz, the Army spokesman announced. The van was hit but the passengers escaped unhurt.

An emergency meeting of the Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission has been called for 9 a.m. today at Km. 96 on the Gaza Road, to discuss these incidents, the Army spokesman announced yesterday.

LAWSON APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP).—The Senate today approved the nomination of Mr. Edward D. Lawson as Ambassador to Israel. The Senate action has been unusually rapid, as President Eisenhower nominated Mr. Lawson only on April 1.

Pakistan Urges Practical Solution on Israel

The time has come for the Arab and Moslem states to realise that a practical solution of the Palestine problem must be found, Pakistan Foreign Minister Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan said in Karachi yesterday, NEABS reports.

He added that Pakistan did not intend to recognize Israel and that all the Arab states were welcome to join the Pakistani-Turkish Pact. He denied, however, that the recent visit of King Feisal of Iraq and the forthcoming visit of King Saud were connected with this pact. *(NEABS)*

UK, Jordan Consult On Council Debate

LONDON, Saturday. — Britain and Jordan are consulting about the U.N. Security Council debate on tension on the Jordan-Israel frontier.

A Jordan spokesman here said that Jordan Ambassador to Britain Assayed Suleiman Nablus called yesterday on Minister of State Selwyn Lloyd to discuss the debate, which on Thursday was postponed until Monday midnight (Israel time).

The Jordan spokesman pointed out here today that Anglo-Jordan consultations at this stage were to be expected, since Britain was a signatory with France and the U.S. of the tripartite declaration of May, 1950, on the stability of the Middle East and was also an ally of Jordan.

A procedural wrangle locked the debate on Thursday. The Council argued for 3 hours, 13 minutes over how to deal with Israel and Jordan complaints. The issue was whether to handle the complaints separately, as demanded by the Arabs or hold a general deabte, as proposed by the U.S., Britain, France, Turkey and New Zealand. *(Reuter, UP)*

Tsur Sees Bidault

PARIS, Saturday (INA). — Israel Ambassador Ya'acov Tsur was received by French Foreign Minister George Bidault yesterday. The discussions, which were described as "most cordial," were devoted to the growing tension between Israel and her neighbours, in the light of the current Security Council debate.

It is understood that M. Bidault showed deep understanding for Israel's desire for a relaxation of the current tension.

Lebanon May Boycott Security Council

The Lebanese Cabinet has cabled its U.N. delegation to boycott the Security Council discussions on Israel-Arab tension, if the Council adopts the procedure recommended by the Western Powers and discusses all complaints together.

The decision was reached after Lebanese Foreign Minister Alfred Naccache met the Arab diplomatic envoys in Beirut, ANA reported.

The Syrian Cabinet met in Damascus for an extraordinary session under the chairmanship of President Hashem el Attassi yesterday to discuss a report by Foreign Minister Faydi el Attassi on the recent meeting of the Arab League Council, the Arab Israel border tension and the latest statement by U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Henry Byroade, according to NEABS.

SOCCER TEAM WINS

PORT ELIZABETH, Saturday (Reuter). — The Israel soccer team today won the third match of their South African tour when they beat Eastern Province here 2 to 0. Halftime score was 1 to 0.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Japan won the Swaythling Cup table tennis championship last night, beating Czechoslovakia 5-4.

Lebanon Reinforces Border

The Foreign Affairs and Security Committee of the Lebanese Parliament on Friday approved a L.L.200,000 allocation to build defence positions along the Israel-Lebanese Armistice Lines, ANA reports from Beirut.

The construction is to begin immediately at the most important strategic points in the face of continual "Israel troop massings" along the Lines.

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Social & Personal

The Prime Minister and Mrs. Sharett gave a luncheon yesterday for Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. Maurice Fisher, Mr. Walter Eytan, Mrs. Gershon Agron, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Joseph and Miss Elga Shapira.

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Mrs. Louis Smith, Chairman of the combined Jewish Appeal of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Israel Friedlander, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Markel and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Saftel, leaders in the Boston Appeal, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Oresman, leaders of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, were the luncheon guests on Thursday of Mr. Levi Eshkol, Minister of Finance, and Mr. Shlomo Eisenberg, Secretary General of the Jewish Agency.

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Rabbi Z. Ben-Yakov, M.K., and Rabbi M. Porush, Head of the Organization Department of Agudat Yisrael in Israel, have returned from a visit to the U.S., where they formed new branches of the Agudah.

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Lord Percy left by El Al for London on Friday, after a two-day visit on his way home from Nairobi.

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Dr. Augusto Levi, Chairman of the Academic Council of the Tel Aviv School of Law and Economics, was elected member of the Presidency of the First International Congress of Agrarian Law which recently met in Florence. During his stay in Italy, Dr. Levi is to deliver a series of guest lectures at the University of Bologna on "Law in the State of Israel."

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BIRTH

RONELL — To Evelyne, wife of Mr. Gershon Ronell, on April 9, 1954 — a son.

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MARRIAGE

LUNZER — ROSENBLUM

The marriage of Mr. Henry S. Lunzer, of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Jerusalem, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo M Lunzer, of London, England, to Miss Helene Rosenblum, younger daughter of Mr. Shlomo Rosenblum and the late Mrs. Rosenblum of Antwerp, Belgium, will take place today at Carmel College, Wallingford, near Oxford (England).

LAW REPORTS

THE JERUSALEM POST

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In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Criminal Appeal
Before: Justices Agranat, Silberg and Goitein.
Haim Simhon, Appellant, v. The Attorney-General, Respondent (CR.A.220/54)

MANSLAUGHTER APPEAL DISMISSED

The Court of Criminal Appeal dismissed the appeal against a verdict of manslaughter given by the Haifa District Court on June 21, 1953 (Cr. C. 229/53). The Court was composed of the Relieving President, Judge B. Zohar, and Judges M. Etzion and I. Gubernik. The Court also dismissed a counter-appeal of the Attorney - General against the leniency of the sentence.

Charged with Murder

Simhon was charged before the District Court with the premeditated murder of Mira Artzi. Among those who gave evidence at the trial were three policemen, one of whom, Constable Ephriat, said that he had seen Simhon coming down from the ruins at a crucial time on the night of the murder. The facts of the case and the proceedings before the District Court were fully reported in *The Jerusalem Post*.

The Court found that Simhon had killed the girl without premeditation, in the heat of the moment and, consequently, found him guilty of manslaughter and not of murder. He was sentenced to seven years in prison.

Grounds of Appeal

Mr. A. Levitsky, Simhon's Counsel, appealed against this conviction on the grounds, among others, that the findings on which the conviction had been based had been insufficient and inconclusive, that there had been sufficient doubt to entitle his client to benefit from it, and that the reasons which the District Court gave for believing the evidence of witnesses such as Ephriat would not stand the test of logic or reasonableness.

Judgment

The Court, in a judgment delivered by Justice Agranat, declared that after carefully weighing Mr. Levitsky's arguments and considering the reasoning of the District Court, they had come to the conclusion that they had no cause to interfere with the District Court's evaluation of the veracity of the key witness, and therefore saw no reason for allowing the appeal.

As to the Attorney-General's counter-appeal against the leniency of the sentence, while the Court felt that the strangulation of a young woman in a lonely spot, late at night, was an extremely cruel act, nevertheless, the District Court in their judgment had expressly conveyed their doubt of the appellant's intention to kill his victim, and had therfore given him a comparatively light sentence. In those circumstances, the Appeal Court was not prepared to impose a severer sentence.

Judgment given on April 8, 1954.

For the Appellant: Mr. A. Levitsky, Mr. S. Doron.
For the Respondent: Mr. L. Rabinowitz.

YA'ACOV ARZA, 30, of Tel Aviv, was jailed on Friday for five months by the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court for being in possession of a coat suspected of being stolen.

BYROADE STATEMENT

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equitable division of Jordan River waters and similar problems, Mr. Byroade said that U.S. policy is to judge each of these major issues, "and each daily friction that may arise, on its merits as we see them—and work unceasingly for a reconciliation which we believe to be in the best interests of all."

INA reports that a large part of the Byroade declaration purported to set forth typical Arab views. He told the Dayton Council that, although Israel talks of peace the Arabs see it bent only on aggression and that Kibya and Nahalin were deliberately planned by the Israel Government.

The transfer of the Israel capital to Jerusalem only indicates to the Arabs Israel's "disrespect" for the authority of the U.N. and the intent to seize additional territory.

The Arabs fear, Mr. Byroade said, that further Jewish immigration into Israel will inevitably result in territorial expansion by Israel. The Arab refugees, he said, are viewed as "end-products of Israel terrorism" driven from their homes by cold-blooded massacres such as that at Deir Yassin, where over 200 persons died at the hands of the I.Z.L.

The Arabs believe that the refugees should be allowed to return home if they desired, and that Israel should pay the vast sums it owes for confiscated property.

In summarizing for his audience the Israel point of view Mr. Byroade avoided any reference to Ma'ale Akrabim, Israel complaints of continued Arab raids, the anti-Israel blockade of the Suez Canal, the unlawful detention of Israel air passengers forced down at Baghdad, the violent Arab incitements, like utterances of King Saud and similar developments frequently cited by those who authoritatively cite the Israel position.

Mr. Byroade did say that Israelis charge the Arab states with obstructing an Arab refugee settlement in order to use their plight to appeal to world sympathy.

He quoted the Israel position as "the Arab dog-in-the-manger attitude" cannot be permitted to stop irrigation plans, the surrender of Jerusalem is out of the question and the world religious community's legitimate interest is in the Holy places which are largely concentrated in the areas held by Jordan.

ON THE AIR

Jerusalem: 467 M.; Haifa: 249 M.; Tel Aviv: 31.8, 48.9 & 322 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m. Turkish: 11.30 a.m. 6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 8.30 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.45 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

3.15 p.m. Service from St. John's Church, Haifa. 4.00 Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Vocal Recital: Marcel Aharonov. 5.00 Notes for Scripture Reading. 5.15 Talmud Lesson. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Kol Yisrael Orchestra, Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger. Soloist: Zohar Neuman: Piano Concerto No.1 (Beethoven). 7.35 Talk. 7.45 "What's New in Science." 8.00 "Wells of Work." 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Conductor: Sergiu Celibidache. "Le Tombeau de Couperin" (Ravel); "Pini di Roma" (Respighi). 9.30 Symposium on the Hebrew University. 10.00 Vocal Recital: Julia Stutschewski. 10.30 Variety Programme. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

468, 225, 216, 4.30 M.

English: News: 1.45 p.m. 10.45 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (33.2, 24.9 & 449 M.): French: 6.30 p.m. Ladino: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3, M.): 11.15 News. 11.22 "Personal Column": by W. Eytan. 11.30 Camp Concert.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 214, 225 & 329 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.38 Songs. 7.00 Sports. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Rhapsody. 8.00 Entrance Ticket. 8.40 News. 8.45 Music. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (34.80; 24.92; 20.55; 20.90 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News. News Talk. Echoes from the World.

Voice of America English Broadcasts: (16.9, 31.4 m.): 5.00-5.30 p.m. Repeated at 8.00-8.30 p.m. on 25.6 & 31.3 M.

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Friday's Press:

General Debate in UN Council 'Only Logical, Constructive Step'

Commenting on the discussion on procedure in the Security Council, "Zmanim" (Progressive) says that a debate on the whole succession of acts of violence would be the only logical and constructive step. But the Arabs, opposed to such a debate, feel encouraged by the support (and the veto) of Mr. Vyshinsky, which throws a deep shadow over the whole Council session. In this situation the Western powers have been thinking of transferring the whole dispute to another U.N. commission which, unimpeded by vetoes and attempts at sabotage, might be more effective in dealing with the issue. The paper also notes a Whitehall trend towards closer understanding of the Israel proposals, but as yet there are no deeds to confirm this.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) publishes a (censored) version of a "Pravda" report of the Security Council session at which Mr. Vyshinsky had used his veto on the Suez issue. "Pravda" also cited the Arab delegates' speeches of appreciation for this pro-Arab stand — but these were omitted by "Kol Ha'am".

Youth Aliya Birthday

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) dealing with the 20th anniversary of Youth Aliya, calls its work and its achievements magnificent, recalling the fact that 65,000 boys and girls, saved from Nazi-threatened Europe and from Middle Eastern countries, have been under its custody, and have made among other things a most important contribution to agricultural settlement in this country. "Zmanim" (Progressive) dedicates a page to the subject.

"Davar" (Histadrut) opposes the projected warning strike of Kupat Holim and government physicians. A second leader endorses the War Invalids Compensation Law, against which Mr. Begin fulminates in "Herut." "Ha'aretz" (Independent) regrets the storm raised in the Knesset over this measure, and says that while Herut has shown no willingness to compromise and to meet the majority on lines such as proposed by Mr. Hasani, Mapai and Mapam have been no less inflexible, unable to let bygones be bygones. The paper also notes with concern that the House was full all through this discussion, but that most Members were out during the debate on the Tenants Protection Law, which affects practically every citizen in this country.

In this connection "Haboker" (General Zionist) comments that freezing rents at the 1940/1 level had been an anti-social policy as well as a fatal mistake from the economic point of view. The new Bill is a moral achievement though it will hardly be of great material benefit to landlords.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Lectures:** —
"What the Holy Writings Teach us of the Jewish People." Minister of Education Professor B. Dinur. "The Kingdom of David," Professor B. Mazar. Opening of Torah Research Week, Arnon Cinema, 8 p.m.
"Hebrew Book Types," Dr. M. Spitzer. Be'eri Club, 9 p.m.
"Fact and Fancy in Nutrition," Professor Alton Goldbloom, McGill University, Montreal; Hadassah Medical School, 8 p.m.

★ **Symposium:** —
"Zionism in the English-speaking Countries." L. Krown; H. Sabel; M. Weiner; Mapai Club, 402 Rehov Jaffa, 8.30 p.m.

★ **Exhibitions:** —
Rembrandt Etchings. Comparative exhibition of new and ancient art. Exhibit of the month: "Seder." Hand-painted ceramic jug by Picasso. National Museum Bezalel, 9-1, 3-6.

★ **Archaeology:** —
Department of Antiquities. Special exhibition chalcolithic objects from Tell Abu-Matar, near Beersheba. Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1, 4-6 p.m.

★ **Tour:** —
Hebrew University conducted tour, new administration building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.

★ **Film Shows:**—
Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors, 11.30 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:** —
General Exhibition of Israel Artists: exhibition of paintings and sculptures by 210 artists and sculptors. Museum, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 4-7 p.m.

★ **Theatre:** —
"Pygmalion," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi, 8 p.m.
Habimah, "Escapade." Habimah Theatre, 8 p.m. (for Workers).

★ **Concert:** —
The Fenyves Quartet—Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Ravel — Museum, 8.30 p.m.

★ **Entertainment:**—
Concert at Noga Cafe, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight.
Dance and dine at the Cocktail Bar.

HAIFA

★ **Exhibition:** —
Exhibition "Dutch Painting 1850-1950" including 5 Van Gogh originals — Municipal Museum of Modern Art, Town Hall, 9 a.m.-10 p.m. (continuously). Conducted tours 6.30 and 8 p.m.

★ **Courses (in Hebrew):**—
Last lesson "Hebrew style" — by J. Pressman — Nof Hacarmel Hotel — 5 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

★ **Theatre:** —
Do-Re-Mi, "Victoria and her Hussar." Rama Hall, 8.30 p.m.

★ **Entertainment:** —
Redley's Ice Revue at the Ziratron, 4 and 8.30 p.m.

TIBERIAS

★ **Theatre:** —
Habimah, "Night of Storm," 7.15 and 9.30 p.m.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.
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ORGIL: Las Vegas Story. Today:
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STUDIO: Waterloo Bridge; 3rd. Week.
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St. Andrew's Church (Scots Memorial): M.S. 10 a.m. Rev J.G.L. Christie, M.C. M.O.A. Vesper service united with Y.M.C.A. at 6 p.m.

Zion Christian Mission (Prophets St., near Rav Kook St.): Rev. Nils Foike. Sunday: Combined Service at Y.M.C.A. 7.30 p.m.

Combined Evangelical Services (Y.M.C.A. Lecture): 7.30 p.m. All Welcome.

Catholic: 6 a.m. (German Hospice Chapel): Languages: German, Italian, English, French. 7 a.m. Terra Sancta Chapel Languages: English, French, German, Italian, St. Pierre de Sion (Ratisbonne): Languages: French, Arabic, English, German, Hungarian, Hebrew, Portuguese; 8 a.m. Jesuits Chapel (near King David Hotel); Languages French, Polish, English, Italian, German; 9 a.m. St. Pierre de Sion. 10 a.m. Terra Sancta College.

Notre Dame de France (St. Paul's St.): M.S. 8 a.m. Languages: French, English, German, italian.

American Gospel Church (Prophets St. near Bikur Holim): Morning Worship, 11 a.m., Mid-week Prayers: Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Minister M.G. Griebenow.

Bible Evangelistic Mission Assembly of God, Mamillah Road, Corner King George: Sunday, 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Wednesday & Friday, 7.30 p.m. Saturday 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. (Rev. J.W. Foster).

Y.M.C.A. Christian Fellowship Vesper Service. 6.30 p. m. All welcome.

Brethren (Y.M.C.A., Room 110): Breaking of Bread, 5 p.m.

Church of the Nazarene (St. Julian's Way): E.S. 7.30 p.m.

Hebrew Evangelization Soc. Mission, (Musrara 59/13): 7 p.m. Hebrew: 8 p.m. English, German, Thursday: 7.30 p.m. English, German.

"Jerusalem Baptist Congregation: Opp. Gan Rehavia, Wednesday: Bible reading & Prayer, 8 p.m. Friday: E.S. 6 p.m. Saturday: Bible Study 10 p.m.

Seventh Day Adventists Congregation in Israel (Rehov Abraham near Y.M.C.A.): 9.30 a.m., Sabbath School; 10.45 a.m., Preaching & Worship; 4 p.m., Bible class.

Jehovah's Witnesses: 16/4 Moria St. Baka'a; Tuesday: 6.30 p.m.; Saturday: Bible Study, 5.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV & JAFFA

Anglican Church (Episcopal) in the Church of the former German Colony (off 19 Eilat St.): H.C., 7.30 a.m. M.P., 10 a.m. E.S. 7 p.m. Presbyter Rev. R.G. Allison, P.O.B. 2773.

Church of Scotland (St. Peter's) Jaffa M.S., 10 a.m., E.S., 7 p.m.

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French Hospital 8 a.m., 6 a.m. Weekdays: 6 a.m.

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St. Luke's Church: Mountain St., near Vine St. (Anglican Protestant: Episcopal): H.C., 7.30 a.m.; M.S. 10 a.m. E.S. 6.30 (P.O.B 1797)

Scandinavian Seamen's Church, Mehr St. 41 (P.O.B. 1303, Rev. Per Faye Hansen) Evang. Luth. Service, 7.30 p.m. Scandinavian & German, Tuesday: Bible Study, 8 p.m.

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Natanya	76	16	19	19
Tel Aviv Port	80	17	19	19
Lydda Airport	74	13	22	21
Jerusalem	74	14	16	15
Beersheba	48	14	23	25
Eilat	12	13	31	31

FORECAST: Becoming fair.

*A) Humidity at 5 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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101 IMMIGRANTS and 27 Youth Aliya wards from North Africa and 22 immigrants from the Argentine, who are to join Ihud Hakibbutzim ve Hakvutzot settlements, arrived in Haifa in the s.s. Negbah on Friday. The ship also brought 250 tourists and returning residents.

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13,000 BEDUIN in the Negev are now being examined by Ministry of Health doctors for tuberculosis.

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EIGHT WITNESSES testified on Friday in the preliminary investigation of Yigal Burg, charged with embezzlement, that the accused had received large sums of money as taxes on water pipes and as payments for arranging water connections, and that he had given them no proper receipts.

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FOR PUTTING her illegitimate child in a latrine pit, a 20-year-old girl of the Sakia Bet *ma'bara* was sentenced to six months' imprisonment by the Petah Tikvah Magistrate's Court on Friday.

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MORDECHAI SHULMAN was remanded for trial in a District Court by Natanya Magistrate A. Noam on Friday for shooting at an officer in the Tel Mond prison last July. Shulman is said to have grabbed a pistol from a guard, shot twice at the officer, missing him by inches, and then tried to commit suicide.

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DAMAGE ESTIMATED at IL.1,500 was sustained on Friday by the Hevra Hamerkazit Lehomrei Binyan when one of its huts, in Neve Sha'anan, Jerusalem, caught fire when a kerosene cooker overturned.

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INCOME TAX offices all over the country will be open each day this month until 6 p.m., and until 2 p.m. on Fridays and holiday eves.

SOCCER RESULTS

Results in yesterday's friendly football games were:

Tel Aviv Beitar — Ramat Gan Hapoel, 3:1; Tel Aviv Maccabi — Jerusalem Betar, 1:1; Natanya Kfar Saba selected — Petah Tikva selected, 2:1; Mahane Yehuda Hapoel — Natanya Hapoel, 1:0; Tel Aviv Hakoach — Hadera Hapoel, 4:2; Beit Lid Hapoel — Herzlia Hapoel, 1:1; Jaffa Maccabi — Jerusalem Hapoel, 1:0; Natanya Betar — Natanya Maccabi Baruch, 3:2; Tel Aviv B'nei Yehuda — Mishmar Hasheva Hapoel, 4:1.

RATION NEWS

HAIFA & NORTHERN DISTRICT: Eggs: 4, Het 14, temp. 4; for expectant mothers: 16, Heh 19, Heh 20 from old books, or 25, 26 from new; for invalids: 4 on Het Aleph 2, 3 on Het Bet 2 and 3 on Het Gimel 14 cards. Poultry for elderly persons: 500 gr., Mem Heh 43; for expectant mothers: 750 gr., Heh 7; for invalids: 500 gr., Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 2 cards. Potatoes: 3 kg., Het 27, temp. 41. Meat: 150 gr., Heh 19, temp. 35; fresh meat in Haifa and Samaria, frozen meat in Northern District. Fillet: 300 gr., Het 1, temp. 24.

HAIFA & SAMARIA: Sugar: 1,200 gr., plus 300 gr. on Aleph cards, Het 7, temp. 2. Oil: 700 gr. plus 100 gr. olive oil, Zayin 10, Heh 10, temp. 1. Margarine: 300 gr., Het 9, temp. 9. Imported butter: 500 gr., 300 gr. on Het 10 and 200 on Het 24, temp. 10, 13. Flour: 750 gr., Het 6, temp. 14. Matzot and matza flour: 2,500 gr. of first and 500 of second. Het 28, temp. 8. Potato flour: 200 gr., Het 22, temp. 20. Sweetened cocoa on Aleph, Bet cards: 150 gr., no coupon, temp. 16. Pulse: 150 gr., no coupon, temp. 7.

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Bernstein Pledges End to Inflation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Saturday. — While the Government would meet the justified demands of producers, it was determined to stabilize prices and "finally to end the cursed process of inflation," Mr. Peretz Bernstein, Minister of Commerce and Industry, declared yesterday.

He was speaking at the formal opening by Baron Elie de Rothschild of a 3,000-ton grain silo at the modernized flour mills of Grands Moulins here.

Mr. James de Rothschild, President of PICA, Mrs. de Rothschild and Lady Victor Rothschild were present at the ceremony, which was also addressed by Minister of Labour Golda Myerson. Others present were Deputy Mayor Y. Nussbaum, Director General of the Ministry of Development Y. Peled and members of the Consular Corps.

Mr. Bernstein declared that only economically-sound enterprises had a future, and the Government would not cover manufacturers' losses from public funds.

He hoped that prices would soon be determined by the public and not the Government and complained that this state might have come about already were industrialists "not so strongly organized" and had they not fixed minimum prices when the Government fixed maximum prices.

Must Produce More

Mrs. Myerson called for increased productivity, "because there can be no political victory without a strong economy." But we must show, she continued, that we could not be forced into political compromise because of economic difficulties.

Baron Rothschild announced that PICA, of which he is Vice-President, was planning a flour silo, an animal feed plant and a buckwheat factory, and would double the silos on the present site.

He said that Grands Moulins were now the most modern in the Middle East and were milling 10% more flour from grain than the Government-fixed standard.

Home-Made Masonite

TIBERIAS, Saturday. — The first masonite boards were successfully turned out yesterday by the Sefen factory in the Jordan Valley following four months of experiments.

Mr. Oscar Gass, chief of the Economic Advisory Staff, who visited the plant yesterday, expressed satisfaction.

Export of celotex boards for ceilings and insulation purposes is continuing at full speed and the factory will shortly start working "round the clock."

The factory, one of the biggest in the world, is jointly owned by Ampal and six Jordan Valley settlements. So far, $2m. and IL.2m. have been invested in it.

12,000 LIVE IN 66 NEGEV VILLAGES

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — At the end of the fifth year of Negev settlement, the 12,000 inhabitants of its 66 villages dispose of 30,000 dunams of land, irrigated daily by 90,000 cubic metres of Mekorot-supplied water, Mr. M. Kahanovitz, head of the Jewish Agency's Negev Settlement Department, told the Press during a tour of the Northern Negev on Thursday.

Prospects for economic independence in five years' time are good, Meanwhile, however, new Negev settlers require 300,000 working days' wages to keep them going. The Jewish Agency provides 225,000 work-days, while the Jewish National Fund afforestation scheme and Government public works are the source of the remaining 75,000.

Three Boys Hurt In Road Accidents

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Four-year-old Yosef Ruhani, of Rehov Fein, here, was seriously injured yesterday when knocked down by a taxi driven by V. Brenner. The boy was taken to the Municipal hospital while the driver was released in bond.

While crossing Rehov Arlosoroff, here, at noon yesterday, Amos Gilbin, aged 8, was run over by a hit-and-run taxi. He sustained serious injuries.

Nine-year-old Avraham Hagaru was seriously injured by a car while crossing the road near the Be'er Ya'acov *ma'bara* on Thursday evening. The driver, Haim Nurkin, of Kibbutz Netzer, was charged and released in bond.

Two children were taken to the Municipal hospital here today after they had been badly bitten by dogs. They were six-year-old Shulamit Yitzhak, who was walking near her home in Rehov Herzl when bitten, and Yitzhak Cohen, 7, of the Hatikva quarter, also attacked near his home.

Rising Prices Limit Investment: Susayeff

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Government was considering an amendment to the investment laws, to permit a local entrepreneur to repatriate the added value of his enterprise in foreign currency. He may also be permitted to accumulate foreign currency earnings from exports from year to year, Mr. Zalman Susayeff, Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry, said here yesterday at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial and Industrial Club.

The most significant factor in attracting capital from abroad was the stability of the currency, and there was apprehension at present at rising prices and the shrinkage of the local market.

Citing an example of the high cost of local production, Mr. Susayeff said that in the textile industry, a job costing one dollar abroad here cost IL.3.500 to IL.4.

In order to maintain prices at the present level, it was necessary to continue with subsidies for a long time to come, he said.

The lifting of controls on foreign currency must be introduced gradually, he remarked.

Jaffa's Turkish Prison Closes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The last inmate of Jaffa Prison will leave its gates before Pessah.

The large, ugly dungeon, a relic of the Turkish Empire, will stand empty for a while as a silent landmark in the Prisons Service plan of modernization and humanization of all prisons. Then it is to become the property of the police.

Next on the Prisons Service operation schedule, *The Jerusalem Post* learns, is the Haifa prison which is to be closed within a few months.

The reorganization plan of the Prisons Service aims at establishing a modern prison for each of the six administrative districts. The elimination of prisons in cities and the move from crowded dark, unhealthy, ugly prisons of Turkish and British vintage is well on its way. Instead, the inmates are to spend their terms according to the most modern and advanced prison theories.

In the new Central Prison in Ramle, a spacious well-lighted and airy institution with a capacity of about 500, the main feature of the prisoner's existence is his being kept busy working at crafts. In the famous Ma'aseiyahu prison camp, near Lydda, now containing 123 inmates, and in the prison work camps at Damun, on Mount Carmel — 125 prisoners, and Shatta, near Beit Hashita in the Emek — 235 prisoners — the accent is on employing inmates in farming.

Farm prisons are also being planned for women.

A serious problem besetting the Prisons Service is the considerable number of prisoners who really belong in mental asylums. There is no solution in sight, in view of the lack of space in mental institutions, which also means that hundreds of mental cases are not dealt with.

The reorganization of the prison system effects economies in its maintenance. Thus, with the gradual abolition of the Jaffa prison and the centralization in the Ramle prison, the Prisons Service personnel has been cut by 28 to 544.

Cables in Brief

TRADE. — Yugoslavia and Turkey signed an agreement in Belgrade yesterday which marks the rapid development of trade and political friendship between the two countries since the war. Under the agreement the countries will exchange goods worth $80m. each way between April 1, 1954, and March 31, 1955.

LOCUSTS. — Means of fighting an expected locust invasion in the Middle East were discussed in Amman yesterday at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the anti-locust conference set up by the United Nations.

GERCHUNOFF. — The famous Argentine Jewish writer, the late Alberto Gerchunoff, will be honoured on Sunday when a station of the General Urquita railroad in the Entre Rios province will be named for him. An Argentine Jewish delegation called on President Peron on Friday to inform him of the project to plant a "Juan D. Peron" forest in Israel.

MARRIAGE. — A private member's bill to ban marriages between men over 40 and girls under 25 was introduced in the Lower House of the Indian Parliament on Friday. The Bill is intended to save young women married to old men from the deplorable fate of being widowed young.

FLOODS. — Continuous rain has caused damage estimated at tens of millions of francs in Algeria within the last few days, and 5,000 hectares of arable land in the Mazafran region are flooded.

LUMIERE. — Auguste Lumiere, 89, recognized in France as inventor of the motion picture and the first to film slapstick comedy, died in Lyons yesterday.

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Shinnar Here For Parley

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday. — Dr. F. Shinnar, head of the Israel Purchasing Mission in West Germany, arrived here yesterday for two days' consultations with the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance, centring on basic plans for the second year's implementation of the reparations agreement.

The first ship ordered with Reparations money in Germany will be completed by November, Mr. Shinnar said.

Summing up the first year's implementation of the Reparations agreement, which ended on March 31, Dr. Shinnar stated that Israel used 350 million marks ($80.5m.) of the 400 million marks which the West German Government made available. Of this sum, 150m. marks were spent on fuel and 200m. on essential goods and raw materials and on account of ordered ships and railroad equipment. The 50m. marks outstanding are now being spent according to plan.

Up to March 31, a total of 425,000 tons of Reparations goods arrived. They included 45,000 tons of wheat, Dr. Shinnar said.

3 Held in Jerusalem Bank Robbery

Ya'acov Mizrahi, of Jerusalem, was remanded for five days on Friday in connection with Wednesday night's robbery at the Milve Vehisachen Bank in Jerusalem.

Eight other youths were arrested for investigations; six of them were arrested on Friday morning while the others were detained as soon as the robbery was discovered.

Of the eight, two brothers, named Schreiber, have been kept in detention and the others released.

Some IL.24,000 was stolen from the bank, in Rehov Lunz, after the cashier's trousers and keys were stolen. Leading investigators of Police Headquarters have been mobilized for the investigations under the direct supervision of District Commander L. Avrahami.

Many persons, from all over the country, known to the police as safe- and house-breakers are being questioned, while police laboratories are conducting on-the-spot tests, collecting fingerprints and other clues. *(Itim)*

Kupat Holim Doctors Join Warning Strike

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A 24-hour warning strike of employed physicians will start at 7 a.m. on Monday. Over 2,000 physicians employed by health institutions throughout the country will take part to protest the Government's refusal to enter into negotiations with the Medical Association on the employed physicians' demand to double their basic salary.

All of Kupat Holim's physicians will strike in defiance of the Histadrut Central Committee.

Doctors will report on Monday at Magen David Adom stations to stand ready for emergency cases. Army and country district physicians will carry on with their duties and skeleton staffs will remain in hospitals. No physicians will be available at Kupat Holim.

If the 24-hour warning strike fails to produce results, the doctors will begin a strike of indefinite duration in two weeks, time.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ISRAEL
Civil Appeal 92/51.

Appellants: Shmuel Friedman of 62 Rehov Nahlat Benyamin, Tel Aviv, and Yehuda Feferberg of Stern House, Jaffa Road, Jerusalem, through Dr. F. S. Peries, Advocate, of 15 Rehov Ahad Haam, Tel Aviv, where service will be accepted for the Appellants,

Respondent: Mr. Emil Klein, whose address is unknown.

Summons

To Mr. Emil Klein, whose present address is unknown to the Appellants.

Whereas the Appellants filed against you an appeal from the judgment of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa District Court, delivered on April 18, 1951 in Civil Case No.190/50, therefore you are hereby informed that a copy of the said appeal with annexures may be obtained at the Registry of this Court, and that this Court will hear the appeal on the 5th May, 1954, at 8.30 hours in the morning.

If you do not appear at the said time, the appeal may be heard and judgment given in your absence.

Jerusalem, this 6th day of April, 1954.

I. BARELI
Asst. Chief Registrar

Nazareth Campaign Reaches Climax

By Mohammed Khalil Saleh, Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH, Saturday. — The town is active as never before with the election campaign reaching its climactic close this evening. Police reinforcements arrived here to keep order as a clash between Moslems and Communists was expected by the authorities.

The Moslem list, headed by Mr. M. Fahroum and S. Zu'bi, M.K., held a mass meeting in the main square at which Mr. Zu'bi called on all Moslems to reject "glittering Communist promises."

The seven non-Communist lists directed their entire fire at the Communists, without criticizing each other.

The Communists held a demonstration addressed by Mr. S. Mikunis, M.K. Most of the participants were either out-of-town party followers, or neutral bystanders. Mr. Mikunis declared that his party objected to the Kibya, Ma'ale Akrabim and Nahalin incidents. Mr. E. Habibi, M.K., who acted as interpreter, left out the reference to Ma'ale Akrabim in his Arabic version.

5 Million Jobless in US Now, CIO Chief Says

CHICAGO, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. Walter Reuther, President of the Congress of Industrial Organizations and the United Auto Workers, said last night that the U.S. was in the midst of an economic recession with 5 million workers unemployed.

He said a "millionaires' club" representing big business controlled the Republican Cabinet and "things will continue to get worse" as long as they are in control.

Mr. Reuther was speaking at the Auto Workers' sixth international education conference at the Chicago Civic Opera House.

He said the Department of Commerce announced a figure of 3,725,000 unemployed for March, 1954, but this figure did not take into consideration 235,000 others who have been unemployed for less than 30 days nor "millions of people who are working only two, three or four days a week and who are only partially employed."

Mossadegh Threatens Hunger Strike

TEHERAN, Saturday (UP). — Ousted Premier Mohammed Mossadegh shouted in court today that he would start a hunger strike unless the government ended the secrecy surrounding his appeal.

He charged that he did not have freedom of speech for his own defence, and that the local press was not allowed to print his statements to the tribunal. Only a small, select group of persons was being allowed to watch the trial.

General Reza Javada, chairman of the tribunal, before adjourning the stormy session, denied that the press had been prevented from publishing Mossadegh's remarks, but the ex-Premier shouted again and again: "I won't return — You'll have to drag in my corpse."

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Methods and Apparatus	— April 13,	1 p.m.

All interested are invited to participate.

Mapam Leaders Call for United Government to Meet War Threat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Saturday. — The country's security problem was the main topic of the Kibbutz Hameuhad Council which met in Yagur settlement last night and today. Some 3,000 members of the movement, from settlements all over the country, most of them Haganah veterans, attended.

Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, M.K., told the Council that half of the movement's settlements were situated in border areas. All attacks on these settlements were only part of the Arab plot to destroy Israel. In the light of this situation, it was "our duty" to demand from the State and its Government, from the nation and World Jewry, from youth and workers to rise above petty matters and to meet the war threat and force peace on our enemies at the time and with the means of our own choosing.

He said that the time was now ripe to establish "a regime fitted to achieve this task." We must put a stop to murderous aggression and bring back security.

The economic position was bad, with thousands unemployed on the one hand and border areas deserted on the other.

He called for the establishment of an emergency regime suited to a people under siege and which must put a heavy burden on its people.

Aluf Yigal Alon said that we must cease being defenders and become victors. The time had come for those who were ready to come to the nation's aid and to defend the State to be given their place in the Government.

US DIPLOMAT TOURS NEGEV

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Mr. Parker T. Hart, Director of the Office of Near Eastern Affairs of the U.S. State Department, toured the Negev yesterday with representatives of the Foreign Ministry and the Defence Forces. Members of the party included Mr. Arthur Lourie, Deputy Director General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Shmuel Ben Dor and Sgan-Aluf Aryeh Shalev, Colonel Michael Kane, U.S. Military Attache, also accompanied the group.

Mr. Hart, who conferred with various officers of the Foreign Ministry on Thursday, is to tour Galilee tomorrow with Mr. Ivan B. White, Economic Counsellor of the U.S. Embassy, Mr. Theodore Kollek, Director General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Yosef Tekoah of the Foreign Ministry, and Mr. Aharon Wiener, Chief Engineer of the Mekoroth Water Company. *(UBI)*

Spain to Close Gibraltar Consulate

MADRID, Saturday (Reuter). — Spain has decided to close her Consulate in Gibraltar from May 1 — nine days before the expected visit of Queen Elizabeth in the course of the royal tour.

This decision by the Foreign Ministry, announced today, followed the regular Friday meeting of the Cabinet.

British property was damaged earlier this year by demonstrators supporting Spain's long-standing claim to possession of Gibraltar.

Meanwhile, the Royal Yacht Gothic, bringing Queen Elizabeth to Ceylon, entered Colombo harbour today.

Sneh Claims Mapam Wants War

NATANYA, Saturday. — Kibbutz Yad Hanna, which recently split, with Mapam members leaving the field to Left Socialists, today celebrated its fourth birthday.

Addressing kibbutz members, Dr. M. Sneh, M.K., leader of the Left Socialist Party, said: "There is no difference between Menahem Begin and Yigal Alon, because all Mapam's kibbutzim are based on nationalism and desire war."

Representatives of the Communist Party Centre and of the Hungarian Legation were present.

Addressing a party meeting in Haifa, today, Dr. Sneh said Israel should break off relations with the U.N. Observers because they had not been sent to make peace.

US Army Rejects $100 For Punch in Nose

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter).—The Army today rejected an offer by retired Major-General Arthur Wilson to give $100 to the first non-commissioned officer who punches Private David Schine on the nose.

Schine, wealthy former investigator for the subcommittee of Senator Joseph McCarthy now conscripted into the army, is stationed at Camp Gordon in Augusta, Georgia.

A counter-offer of $200 was later offered to anyone who punched the non-commissioned officer in the nose who took up the $100 offer. It was made by a Mr. William Pongratz who was gassed in World War I and served as a Master Sergeant in Intelligence in World War II.

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Nazi-Type Party Founded in Berlin

BERLIN, Saturday (Reuter). — About 40 persons attended the foundation meeting of a Nazi-style German Freedom Party in West Berlin, the Independent "Der Abend" said here today.

They gathered in a public house last night and approved a platform which includes the reintroduction of the Nazi compulsory labour service and the end of reparations to Israel.

The German Freedom Party is organized by Rolf Schoenborn, a former labour service officer. West Berlin officials estimate that there are about 300 neo-Nazis here.

In Karlsruhe, a West German Federal Court announced that Manfred von Brauchitsch, famous pre-war motor ace, would be charged with actions endangering the security of the state. Von Brauchitsch is the head of the "Committee for Unity and Freedom of German Sport" which is described as Communist-influenced.

PCC to Take Census Of Arab Property in Israel

Jordan has approved the opening of a Palestine Conciliation Commission branch office at Government House in Jerusalem to undertake a census among Arab refugees to determine the exact locations of abandoned property in Israel, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reports.

Mr. A. Ladas, PCC special representative in Palestine, is to head the office. Mr. Sami Hadawi, an Arab and former Mandatory official now in Jordan as a P.C.C. land expert, is to be his assistant.

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THE authorities should not be surprised if the general public fails to be moved by their distinction between "drinking" milk and skim milk. The difference is a perfectly valid one so long as the point at issue is one of dietetics or what some American universities call "food technology." But it is not really relevant to the story told by Mr. Bar Yehuda some three weeks ago, a dismal story of 300,000 litres of milk being poured down the drain each month rather than have it sold at a low price. The report scandalized the public which felt, rightly, that here was a moral issue as well as an economic one. There can be no justification for the destruction of food in a country as poor as this one, or, for that matter, anywhere else.

MILK-AND-WATER

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry promptly began an investigation. Last week they announced that unfortunately the story was true, but that it concerned only skim milk, not the more nutritious (and more profitable) milk destined for drinking. It must be confessed, however, that the implication that this puts a different face on the matter is a little hard to swallow.

Be that as it may, it was learnt almost simultaneously that the Knesset committee which has been looking into the problems of the dairy industry had decided that the solution to them was a new subsidy to the producers. The subsidy will support the production of skim milk for conversion into cheese. It will amount to some IL.400,000 over the next three months.

In other words, not only is there to be no crying over all this spilt milk, but waste is to be avoided in the future by the familiar device of compensating the primary producers for losses (actual and threatened) due to the twin phenomena of overproduction and underconsumption.

The Government is, of course, in a very difficult position. It cannot countenance the spilling of milk. It cannot allow itself (and the public) the luxury of stopping the distribution of cheap American cheese — which seems to be one of the reasons for reduced consumption of the local product. Science offers it no method of getting cows to produce less milk in certain months. And above all it must do all in its power to support and encourage agriculture.

The question, however, is whether all branches of agriculture should be supported indiscriminately. The dairy industry is notoriously one on which there has been heavy emphasis for many years. Milk production offers proportionately greater and more immediate returns than most others forms of agriculture and it is easy to see why it should be popular with novice farmers.

But if, as many experts now insist, the national interest demands that other forms be encouraged at the expense of the dairy industry, and if—as the milk-spilling clearly indicates—dairymen can no longer expect much larger profits than other farmers, it is difficult to see why the subsidy should go to them, rather than to sheep farmers, for example.

A subsidy can be a very useful instrument of economic policy and agricultural subsidies are probably indispensable in this country where there is a crying need to re-order the economy. What is in question is, therefore, not so much the subsidy itself as whether it is being given to the right people for the right, national purpose.

It is to be hoped that the present scheme is no more than a stop-gap to tide both the producers and the Government over their immediate difficulties, pending the drawing up of a more rational plan for the dairy industry. The country badly needs a strong economic policy, not milk-and-water.

The Week in the Knesset

FREEDOM OF SPEECH

By GERDA LUFT

THE Knesset closed its winter session last week and adjourned for five weeks. The recess came none too soon. The last weeks had brought with them longer sittings and a mixture of lassitude and sudden anger. The Minister of Finance, generally appreciated for his sense of humour, let himself be goaded by the opposition of the Right into sharp rejoinders which would have been better suited to the teacher of a recalcitrant class. And the Knesset Committee, apparently exhausted by the concentrated left-wing demonstrations, took an unprecedented measure: it warned Mrs. Wilenska and Mr. Tewfik Toubi (Communists) and Dr. Sneh of the Left group, that the Knesset would "do all in its power to stop... treasonable speech from the floor of the House."

The Communists and Dr. Sneh had used the final reading of the budget debate, as well as other discussions during the past few weeks, to impress their point of view upon the House in and out of season, drawing Members of other parties into tumultuous arguments which threaten to become a danger to orderly Parliamentary procedure. It is obvious that the disturbances are much to Communist liking. They draw Members who have been marking time outside; they are reported in the newspapers. They serve as a splendid means of publicity and require no investment save a powerful voice and some staying power.

Mrs. Wilenska appears to be exceedingly well-equipped for this sort of struggle. Some weeks ago when the Speaker had ruled that she was out of order, she refused to yield the floor and even when the microphone had been switched off and the hall was filled with the shouts of dozens of Members, her metallic voice could still be heard clearly above the uproar.

The Speaker has a perfectly legal means of stopping such organized interruptions: he can call to order speakers who do not keep to the subject under discussion, and if these calls are repeated and not heeded, he can order Members out of the hall. This has, in fact, been done more than once, and it has generally served its purpose.

But this time things developed along a wholly different line. Without the Speaker's initiative, the three Members were called before the Knesset Committee and there accused, not of disorderly behaviour, disobedience or infraction of rules, but of "treasonable speech," that means **of voicing certain opinions.** Dr. Sneh was accused of having stated that Israel was war mongering and the Committee expressed the opinion that the Members had interfered with "political struggle of the State."

The three Members hotly denied these charges. They claimed that they did not dream of accusing Israel of war-mongering: "imperialist America and Britain" were the foes of both Israel and the Arabs. Besides they challenged the right of the Committee to take them to task for their opinions. This was also the stand of Herut and of the Progressives. And at the final voting, only some of the members of the Committee were present.

One can, of course, dismiss the whole thing as a tempest in a teapot. But as the action taken by the Knesset Committee has already been endorsed by people who draw historic parallels unemcumbered by knowledge it is important to voice a warning. The decision of the Committee is no part of the struggle for democracy. If it remains unchallenged and is perhaps allowed to serve as a precedent, the way is open to political censorship in the Knesset.

Who is to guarantee that a similar warning might not be sounded for other opinions which do not please the majority? And who is to be the ultimate judge of what is a "danger to the struggle of the State"? Mr. Hazuri raised these points in Committee, and we are in the ridiculous position that Communists, who do not believe in democracy today can claim that the Committee had transgressed its powers.

The Knesset practice to strike from the record portions of the debate which the Speaker does not approve of creates a paradoxical situation: the observer is deprived of the opportunity of discovering just what was so objectionable about Mrs. Wilenska's speech, since her words have been deleted from the Minutes. If the case had to be investigated again, one major piece of evidence would be missing. The practice may have been born out of the wish to show Parliament at its best, but it has again been proved to be illogical.

There are those who admit that once Members are censured for uttering political opinions, the very core of democracy is in danger. But they point out also that the behaviour of Communist Members in the Knesset has caused many difficulties. This is true, but the Communist Party is legal in Israel. There have been no earnest suggestions to deprive it of its legal standing.

It is generally understood that in present circumstances the banning of the Communist Party would only drive it underground and make it more difficult to fight. As long as the party has enough support to send a number of Members to the Knesset, they have exactly the same political rights as the Members of all other parties. They can be disciplined for breaches of procedure. They can be banned from meetings if they disturb them. But they must be free to speak and cannot be censured for their political views.

Theatre Notes

Tragedy on the Land

Habimah presents "Night of Storm" by Moshe Shamir; directed by Zvi Friedland; Setting by Moshe Mokady.

IN "Night of Storm," Moshe Shamir has come closer to the originality and freshness which characterized his first play, "He Walked Through the Fields," than he has in his intervening work. "Night of Storm" is a simple and direct play with few nuances or overtones. Because of this, it has an air of sincerity and conviction. It deals with a farmer, Kalman Yaffe, who has rented an Arab house and farm from the Custodian of Abandoned Property and is determined to make a fruitful productive enterprise of it.

But he must do it single-handed. His wife does not like their lonely life, and likes it still less because it cuts off her son and daughter from amenities and the comradeship of people of their own age. The son is determined to go his own way and make the most of the opportunities offered by black marketeering. The daughter who understands her father, is to enter the Army and eager, to go. So Kalman must fight his battle alone. Through the tragedy which follows in the wake of the son's rebellion, the family emerges from their purgatory with the help of a new immigrant and the daughter's determination that the farm shall not be abandoned.

Improved Technique

From the point of view of the theatre, Moshe Shamir has made very decided strides forward in the handling of stage technique. The play moves smoothly and situations develop naturally and consequentially. Some of his people have a decided feel of reality. But they are such angry people. We are told that one of the essences of good drama is the element of conflict: in "Night of Storm" the conflict is developed at the expense of everything else.

Here, with the possible exception of the new immigrant, no one is at peace with himself or with his surroundings. Kalman Yaffe is a good and honest man caught up in a whirlpool of opposition. The elements fight him; his wife is not in sympathy with him; his son rebels against him; his daughter leaves him; the new immigrant settles his family in his warehouse; an off - stage character by the name of Shechter is conniving to ruin his son and ultimately lay hold of his farm. The brief intervals when the barren wind storm turns to blessed rain or when the daughter turns with understanding to her father, are not enough to relieve the prevailing gloom.

Shmuel Rodensky brings to the character of Kalman a satisfactory earthiness, but he plays the part too much in irritation and anger, so that he does not win the sympathy of the audience when tragedy strikes him. Ina Grovinska did very little to make the part of Chaya the wife come alive. Misha Asherov was good as the son, Shlomo, who is determined to strike out for himself and find wealth and comfort, though his way lay on the shady side of the law. His characterization of a young man in the process of moral disintegration was very convincing. Dalia Friedland as the daughter Rina is sweet and tender, but there is little depth or emotion in her performance. Menachem Benyamini gives a rather charming, though wooden performance as the new immigrant.

The play is directed by Zvi Friedland with much more authenticity than he brings to the plays of foreign origin which come his way. There is verity in the way the characters move, but I should have liked to see more emphasis on moments of love and light. Since the play starts in a key of wrath, there is little room for a build-up to the real tragedy in the play.

The setting of Moshe Mokady is attractive — possibly too attractive for the situations. For one thing we must be extremely grateful to Mr. Mokady: he builds his sets in such a way that it is possible to use an acoustic device, so that the audience clearly hears what the people are saying on the stage.

IDA B. DAVIDOWITZ

MUSICAL DIARY

THIS time we heard the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's Seventh Subscription Concert 24 hours earlier, while in Tel Aviv on a busman's holiday.

It was less the programme, which had a summertime touch, than the guest conductor, Sergiu Celibidache. From the beginning one felt the mark of a strong personality, though we remember more passionate interpretations of Beethoven's "Coriolanus" overture and we could decidedly imagine more *brio* in Mendelssohn's "Italian" symphony.

The precision of detail of the first part of the bill, characteristic of the German school of conducting, was significant; but the best came after the intermission. Ravel's "Tombeau de Couperin" was of silken texture, full of grace, seductive in sensuous colour in the most subtle values.

But we do not recall so magnetic a performance of Respighi's symphonic poem "Pini di Roma" as this conductor's. The whole ecstasy of a "Carnaval Romain" was reflected in Mr. Celibidache's face as in the commedia dell'arte, and this suggestion to the orchestra resulted in a marvellous performance.

FRANGO

New Concert Hall

A NEW concert hall was inaugurated at the Beit Lessin (Arlosoroff St.), named after the labour leader and writer, with a violin recital by Lorand Fenyves, organized by the Cultural Department of the Histadrut. Accompanied by A. Neumark, the violinist played works by Bach, Tartini, Brahms, Dvorak, Prokofieff (2nd sonata) and Ravel. We could only attend the first part of the concert and were mostly impressed with Fenyves' impulsive and inspiring reading of the adagio and fugue in G-minor by Bach.

The new auditorium is the first real concert hall in Tel Aviv. It was designed in pleasant modern style by Arie Sharon, and has a stepped seating arrangement for 280 persons. The acoustics are excellent.

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Life Among The Americans

By ALASTAIR BUCHAN

WASHINGTON (OFNS). — NOT long ago no self-respecting American child aged between seven and ten would have been seen without a nauseating contraption on its head called a "pinwheel beanie," a little skull-cap with a plastic propellor on top which revolved as the child ran, giving it the illusion of being a space man until it bumped into some uncharitable old codger like your correspondent. Now, a new and more terrible rage, known as the Bubble-O-Bill Bubble Hat, is sweeping the ranks of childhood.

This is a small, saucer-shaped aluminium helmet with a plastic space-ship on top full of a soapy liquid which emits bubbles by means of air blown through a plastic tube which runs to the wearer's mouth. The makers report that they are selling 10,000 a week, and I can well believe it, for as I collect my children from school I have the impression that we are under water, as the clouds of bubbles float up from the small fry.

I suppose the next craze will be a toy Hydrogen bomb, capable of destroying the average family.

Electronic Cooking

Yet another gadget is being offered to the American housewife — an "electronic stove." Instead of a heating element it uses an ultra-high-frequency wave from a magnetron tube, similar to the wave used in television, which causes the same kind of "molecular agritation" as heat does, only greatly speeded up. The result is that a seven-kilo turkey can be roasted in an hour and a quarter; cheese can be melted in five seconds and vegetables can be cooked in the China dishes in which they will be served. The electronic stove uses about one-fourth of the electricity consumed by ordinary stoves.

I tried out the idea on a neighbour. She remarked sourly that if it took the magnetron repair man as long as the television repair man to arrive, her family would undoubtedly starve.

POINTS FROM LETTERS

PAPER. — In richer countries when subscribers are given new telephone directories, they have to turn in the old ones. Now that we have a paper mill, this practice should be adopted here.

H. Z. LITTMAN

Readers' Letters

CIVIL SERVANTS' PAY

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—The interesting articles on the "Civil Service Wage Scale" in your issues of March 8 and 10 are of purely academic interest to many of us in the lower wage scale since the fight for higher wages really benefited only senior officials in Grades 1-7. Grades 8-15 received so little that we could hardly call it a "raise." Mr. Jarvis also says that the Treasury just cannot stand another addition to its inflationary budget; small corrections can be admitted, but no large scale reforms.

Let's look at the problem aired by Mr. Jarvis and his case for senior service officials from the point of view of social justice and efficiency in our young State. The Civil Service has rightly been called the "administrative machine" — every cog must do its part to keep the State going and the State in turn must look after every part of its machine. This means giving to all of its civil servants the minimum requirements for food, medical care and education.

The lowest-grade civil servant, married with one 14-year-old child, has IL.140 left, after paying income tax and advance income tax. I have before me the second table presented by Mr. Jarvis in which he proposes what he considers a fair monthly budget for an official, Grade 1. Let's take it and cut out all extras, pare it down as far as possible and make of it a living wage for a worker in Grade 15, leaving him enough to be efficient and to carry on for the present.

	Grade 1 IL.	Grade 15 IL.
Food (including lunch during office hours)	136	100
Rent	20	10
Medical and Dental	17	10
Clothes	40	10
Laundry (no maid, of course)	60	5
Electricity, water, gas, kerosene	20	10
School, educational expenses	45	20
No travel and holidays	25	—
Histadrut	5	5
Local rates	8	5
Insurance	5	3.5
Books, magazines, newspapers (no entertainment)	20	10
Incidentals	20	10
No savings	30	—
	454	198.5

Is there anything we can cut out of my proposed wage for a lower-grade civil servant? Out of 30,000 civil servants, 25,000 exist on a real "poverty line" level.

Yours, etc.,
B. SALZMAN

Ramat Gan, March 15

CHODOROV'S GAME

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Akiva Kalman erred on the side of considerable understatement by saying, in his article on the Israel-Yugoslavia game, that Chodorov "was his usually reliable self." Maybe Kalman was too far down really to see the magnificent saves that Chodorov made time and again and his perfect judgment and timing. I have seen world-famous goalies like Planicka and Klenovec, of Czechoslovakia; Combi and Ceresoli, of Italy; Hada and Szabo, of Hungary; as well as Hilden and Platzer, of Austria, in the great days of European football in the thirties, and I have no doubt that Chodorov measured up to any of them in Sunday's game.

Yours, etc.,
ALI STERNFELD

Tel Aviv, March 25.

(There was no intention of detracting from Chodorov's great performance. Possibly he is so consistently good and capable that one is apt to take it for granted. Rex Leale, the British ref, at the international game, was the first to remark on Chodorov's great game. — SPORTS ED.).

MEMORABLE VISIT

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Before my wife and I left for Israel I wrote to a friend, "I do not know whether we go as children returning to their father's house or as strangers going to a strange land."

The former proved to be the case. On leaving Israel I want to thank, through the columns of *The Jerusalem Post*, the many kind people whose hospitality made our visit happy and memorable. We look forward to coming again in the not-too-distant future.

Yours, etc.,
DANIEL ROTH

Haifa, March 24.

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